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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES CITY SCHOOLS.

Largely Attended and Much Interest Manifested—Graduating Exercises—Medals, Diplomas, Etc., Bestowed.

The closing of the city schools this year took place under the most favorable circumstances and will long be remembered by teacher, scholar and citizens in general.

Monday night was "honor night" with the school children, the time to award the various medals and the auditorium was packed to witness the various contests.

Competing for the M. J. Wrenn essay medal were Misses Clara Gurley, Ida Harris and Mabel Spencer and Miss Gurley won, her subject being "Woman's Place in Democracy."

Competing for the J. Elwood Cox oratorical medal were David Cauble, Sidney Perry and David Harris and Perry won, his subject being "The Spirit of American Neutrality."

While the judges for both contests were out Supt. Haynes used the time in presenting the graduates with their diplomas. There were 35 graduates, 21 girls and 14 boys, taking three different courses, the scientific course with German and science, the classical course with Latin and science, and the special course with no language. Those receiving diplomas in the scientific course were as follows: James Barker, Ray Burgess, Coke Cecil, Aster Dowdy, Lillie Hedrick, David Harris, Ida Harris, Natri Robbins, Sidney Perry, Banks Shelton, Mabel Spencer, Grace Shields, Melvia Thomas, Bessie Woodson, Lula Cannon.

In the classical course were the following: Emily Brooks, David Cauble, Olin Cummings, Banks Cridlebaugh, Clara Gurley, Hubert Gurley, Clara Hayworth, Valette Jones, Myrtle Long, Ruby Tesh, Thelma Walters, Verta Wall, Henrietta White, Samuel Willis, Emma Bain.

In the special course these took diplomas: Evan Cecil, Ruth Hamilton, William Lindsay, Lena Muse, Fred Wrihtenberry.

Supt. Haynes then announced other prizes with the names of those to present them.

A society pennant given by the Lincoln Literary Society for the best oration at a recent contest was won by David Cauble, and presented by Mr. Marr, principal of the high school. A prize for the student reading the greatest number of good books during the year, given by Horace Sisk, head of the English department, was won by Hugh Hamilton, who had read 20 books, and presented by J. Allen Austin. Scholarships to Trinity and to the University were won by Lula Cannon and Olin Cummins and announced by Prof. Haynes. Mr. Marr presented four prizes of \$1.00 each to Robert Silver, of the seventh grade at Elm street school, LeRoy Earnhart, of the fifth grade at Main

street; Snowden Hutchinson, fifth grade at Elm street, and Herbert Apple, fifth grade in Third Ward school, for essays on "The Evil Effects of Cigarette Smoking," these prizes being given by the local W. C. T. U.

Before presenting these four prizes Mr. Marr gave a gold watch to Hubert Gurley from his father and mother.

Mrs. H. A. White in behalf of the Woman's club presented a \$5 gold piece to Melvia Thomas for the most tasteful, becoming and appropriate graduation dress to be made at a cost of less than \$2.50.

Rev. A. G. Dixon presented the H. A. Moffitt cooking prize the domestic science medal to Mabel Spencer, one of the bright young essayists. The sewing prize won by Stella McQuinn, of the 6th grade, at Elm street was presented by A. E. Tate.

The general scholarship medal, awarded by D. Rones and sons, was won by Thelma Walters, of the graduating class whose average for the year was 95.83 per cent. Violet Johnson, with an average of 95 1-7 per cent., was a close second, neither young lady being absent nor tardy during the school year.

Dr. A. W. Claxon presented this medal. Prof. Haynes also announced four prizes from the civic department of the Woman's club to the grades taking the greatest interest in civic league work during the year, this interest being shown by the way the room was kept. The grades winning these prizes were, at Main street school, Miss Lillian Hunt's third grade, Miss Vera Idol's seventh grade; at third ward school, Miss Lowe's third grade, and Miss Martin's second grade, and at Elm street school, Mrs. Chappell's third grade.

In behalf of the Daughters of the Confederacy of the High Point chapter, Dr. Dred Peacock presented to the school to be hung in Lincoln hall a beautiful framed picture of Lee. Dr. Peacock paid glowing tribute to the great hero, and to the men in grey who are left in High Point respect was paid, at the suggestion of Dr. Peacock; by the whole audience standing.

Before the close of the evening the judges returned and gave in their verdict in the essay and oratorical contests, the essay judges being Mrs. J. J. Farriss, J. A. Austin and Dr. W. H. McAnally, the oratorical judges being ex-Mayor F. N. Tate, J. A. Austin and W. P. Ragan. J. A. Austin spoke in behalf of the essay judges and amid great applause presented the medal to Miss Clara Gurley. W. P. Ragan presented the orator's medal to Sidney Perry.

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Be sure to read about the big Clearance Sale of millinery, ready-to-wears, etc., in ad. of Moffitt Furnishing Co., on the other side of this supplement.

JUST EXACTLY RIGHT.



(By W. H. Dugdale.)

In this world of care and trouble
We are never free from care,
Every person in the battle
Gets his full and honest share;
It depends on how you take it,
Keep your actions in the light,
Wear a smile of friendly greeting,
Then you're just exactly right.

When you meet a friend or neighbor
Who has troubles of his own,
It may be some sad misfortune
From the seed he has not sown;
His sympathetic nature
May take on another's plight,
Open up the gates of sunshine,
Then you're just exactly right.

When the city makes an effort
For to elevate the town,
And give us good conditions,
Don't turn their efforts down;
Just boost, don't knock the city,
With improvements now in sight;
Talk prosperity and business,
Then you're just exactly right.

Talk of things we have prospective,
Be an optimist at heart;
Never speak of trade depressions,
Don't give Mr. Grouch a start;
Such discussions cast a shadow
That should never be in sight;
Apply the brakes and stop it,
Then you'll do exactly right.

When you see a fellow trying
To do a thing that's wrong,
And you know you can prevent it,
Though the inclination's strong,
You should make an honest effort
And from darkness into light
You may draw a kindly nature,
That will be exactly right.

So let us help each other
In this selfish world of ours
And scatter seed of kindness
That will blossom into flowers;
Let every thought and action
Like a beacon in the night
Show the way to right and justice,
Then you'll be exactly right.

SOMEBODY'S EYES ARE WATCHING.

(Gertha Lee Smith.)

[In our civilized country today, is there one person, man or woman, who has not unconsciously impressed some other life, old or young, by his or her moral or immoral self? Has some one imitated you? If so, did it make that someone better?]

Two little hands so soft and warm
Are clinging to your fingers,
Two little eyes like Heaven's blue
Their gaze on you still lingers;
Two little feet are trying hard
To step into your foot prints,
Two little laughing, dimpled cheeks
Are kissed by nature's rose-tints.

A little head crowned thick with curls
Is guessing what you're thinking;
Whatever you drink, those little lips
May drink just as you're drinking.
A little heart within the breast
Beats quickly with devotion
To grasp examples you may give,
So you it bows devotion.

A little mouth with rosebud lips
Is forming words you've spoken,
Two little arms reach out to you
And give you love's best token.
A little form with face of smiles
Believes you to be truthful,
A little heart so full of trust
Believes you to be useful.

Time quickly flies and soon will be
The dawning of tomorrow,
Fate calmly takes its destined way
And gives you mirth or sorrow;
It changes with its golden wand
The little form you cherish,
And leaves a man instead, you wish
Whose worth may never perish.

For, out wherever he may go,
He'll sure be imitated,
And when he speaks his words will be
To other ears translated.
Some little eyes may see his smile,
'Twill make a heart more lighter;
Someone may love because he loves,
'Twill make two lives more brighter.

Civil War Horse Still Survives.

The oldest horse that served the country in the Civil War is still alive, at the age of 53 years, at Horseheads, N. Y. It is owned by P. A. McIntosh who is also a veteran of the same war. To prove his assertion, Mr. McIntosh shows the government brand on the animal's hip which reads "I. C., 1865." Horse and man served in the same regiment. Although bent with age, his hair turning gray and his teeth becoming worn, the old war horse is still able to eat 12 quarts of oats and takes his master to town several times a week. It is estimated the animal is at least 53 years. Farmers say the average life of a horse is about 15 years.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS BUSY

The Occoneechee Camp, organized by Miss Lula Walker is quite an active organization.

The eight charter members of Occoneechee camp are, in addition to Miss Walker (Anioanski), Madge Field (Mewance), Odell Peacock (Modwayaushka), Ruth Owen (Owaissa), Helen Reynolds (Toccoa), Hallie Williams (Minnehaha), Margie Kirkman (Kanxi), Mae Kirkman (Chibiabos), Marianna Whith (Majakya). There were the faithful members until after Christmas, when Alice Riddick (Nantahala), Bessie Tate (Arvi Uschi), Sarah May Haynes (Adanta), Katherine Pickett (Swannanoa), came into the camp, and two months later Narcie White (Minjekahwan), Josephine Wood (Wah Wah Tasse), came in, making fourteen loyal Indian maidens. One meeting each week has been held and one ceremonial council. The members have worked for and gained the required honors to become "wood gatherers," the first of the three great honors. The best work of this camp so far has been the making of khaki hiking suits. These they made themselves and ornamented with red emblems, the colors of the camp being red and brown. Eleven hikes of about five miles each have been taken by this camp.